Application No. Applicant(s) Supplemental 10/067,959 WISE ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Belix M. Ortiz 2164 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to 2/9/2005. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3,4,6-17,19-22,25-31,39,41-44,46,48-50 and 53. 3. The drawings filed on <u>05 February 2002</u> are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🔲 All b) Some* c) 🔲 None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) Thereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _ (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: The prior art of record does not disclose, make obvious, or otherwise suggest the structure of the applicant's prediction program, prediction apparatus, and prediction method together with the other limitations of the independent claims.

The dependent claims being further limiting and definite are also allowable. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably **accompany** the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 has been amended.

Claims 1, 3-4, 6-17, 19-22, 25-31, 39, 41-44, 46, 48-50, and 53 remain pending in the application.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method of managing listing information, relating to at least one property, for a real estate database, the method comprising:

at said property, entering property specific information into a portable computing device;

communicating said the property specific information from said portable

computing device to a server computer system; and

adding, on said computer system, said property specific information as new records in a table having a plurality of records, each of said plurality of records including an address field and a descriptor; and controlling the entry of said new records in said table so that said address fields for all of said plurality of records define a hierarchical structure among said plurality of records in said table;

wherein:

said address field comprises a hierarchically ordered set of identifiers; said controlling of said entry of said new records includes, for each said property:

providing a highest level record defined within said table descriptive of a property attribute;

providing a second highest level record defined within said table containing a plurality of attributes depending from said property attribute of said highest level record, said attributes being descriptive of a structure; and

for each given record of said plurality of records other than ones having said highest level, the semantic meaning of said descriptor is based on a set of records in said table semantically above said given record; and providing a third highest level record defined within said table containing a plurality of attributes depending from said structure attribute of said second highest level

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record, said attributes being descriptive of a room attribute providing a highest level record in said table;

a particular record is a member of said set of records hierarchically defined above said given record when all of said identifiers of said particular record appear identically in the same positions in said address field of said given record but said given record has at least one identifier not appearing identically in the same position in said address field of said particular record [[; and]].

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Belix M. Ortiz whose telephone number is (571)-272-4081. The examiner can normally be reached on moday-friday 9am-5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Rones can be reached on (571)- 272-4085. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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